A SENATORIAL FIGHT

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RUMORED COMPROMISE EFFECTED

Gov. Tanner May Retire on Promise of Pension Office.

PROPOSED NEW LAWS

Special Correspondence of The Evening Star.

CHICAGO, Ill., December 24, 1900. On this, the eve of the opening of the state legislature, four rival senatorial camps are pitched in Chicago. At the Great Northern the following rival candidates for the toga have headquarters: Senator Shelby M. Cullom, Governor John R. Tanner and Representatives Hitt and Cannon. The battle is being waged with great energy and considerable bitterness. As between Governor Tanner, whose term expires with this month, and Senator Cullom there is enmity which amounts almost

This week, however, has brought considerable talk of a reconciliation or a compromise between the Cullom and Tanner factions in state politics. Such a compromise would bring relief to many who have the best interests of the party at heart. The battle has waged so long that the middle-of-the-road, peacefully-inclined politicians are mighty tired of it. The report is that Governor Tanner is to retire from the senatorial contest in return for the promise of the appointment as commissioner of pensions to succeed Henry Clay Evans. This story emanates from a close friend of Governor-elect Yates. This solution of the senatorial tangle was submitted to Senator Cullom, who received it in silence and made no comment. The original plan was to offer Governor Tanner the poition of commissioner of internal revenue office was bestowed upon John W. ter. who was the republican candidate

for governor of Kentucky. If a compro-mise could be reached on some such terms it would completely clear the political at-mosphere of Illinois and would relieve the governor-elect of much embarrassment, as he is now compelled to play his cards with great care to avoid offending either one of the warring senatorial factions. Mr. Hitt's Shrewdness.

It is believed that Governor Tanner

would prefer to stay in the senatorial race,

provided he thought he had a good show of

and Cullom stay in the light there is a chance of a deadlock in the legislature. In the case of neither receiving a majority of votes, then the Hitt people expect to accomplish much. Representative Hitt has played Representative Cannon gling alliances." Representative Cannon has played his cards well, too, but Representative Hitt is better situated to become

a compromise candidate. Illinois will have several novel laws on her books, if bills which have been drawn up are passed by the legislature, which goes into session next month. The official life of the lawmaker being at hand each in-dividual legislator is burning midnight oil upon bills which he hopes will bring him Some of the lawmakers already have succeeded in acquiring fame of a more or less desirable quality.

Against the Oyster.

stative Samuel W. Arrends of the which provides that all oysters be barred from the state of Illinois during the months persons who are found guilty of eating, ima bill which would bar the bivalves out of the state entirely. He was formerly of the famous Armory police court, peared in the court as defendants to the Representative Arrends discourses

ith reference to the cyster thusly:
"I admit that I am a deadly foe to the I have been assured that it has Dealers have asked me to introduce this bill in the legislature, and I believe the public weal demands its passage. I only wish that we could bar out oysters entirely I am sure a large percentage of the suppers, ovster stews and kindred abomtions abolished every season of the year. cials in the first ward have resulted my experience and free oysters with drinks have allured many of my youthful constituents into saloons."

Marriages and Kidnaping.

Representative Kitt Gould, also of a Chicago senatorial district, is accredited with the authorship of a bill which provides that men and women must be of a certain physical standard before being allowed to are free from any serious hereditary dis-Two representatives-elect are drawing up

which provide that kidnaping for ransom be punishable by death in Illinois. These representatives are Frank C. Farnum of the second district and D. E. Sullivan of the twenty-third district. The kidnaping of the son of Mr. Cudahy of Omaha has attracted the attention of the lawmakers to what they consider the weakness of the present Illinois law. Under the criminal code, as it now stands, a penalty of five years' imprisonment or a fine of \$1,000, or both, is prescribed for kidnaping, except in the case of children under twelve ears of age, where an extreme penalty of ife imprisonment is provided. "In cases where a child is kidnaped for ransom," said Representative Farnum to

The Star correspondent, "even capital punshment is not severe enough. that the abduction of a child and the making of threats to the parents that unless ransom is paid the child's eyes will be burned out or other torture inflicted constitutes as great a crime as murder." The police indorse this proposed law and there is some likelihood of one of the bills

passing the legislature. Then, too, half a dozen bills have been drawn up aimed at the "octupus," the Chicago gas trust. Much legislation is in preparation to regulate the street rallways of So what with oysters, sweethearts, kidnapers, brokers, gas trust and street railways the incoming legislature

promises to be an interesting one. A Decided Contrast.

The governor-elect is a Methodist and total abstainer. Accordingly the word has gone out that there will be no inaugural ball and no wine on the table at state functions. The abolishment of the inaugural ball would be a subject of regret to many. For decades this has been a great event, a function which attracted politiclans and society leaders from one end of the state to the other. In years gone by ward politicians and leaders from the back precincts of "Egypt," in old-fashioned. cts of "Egypt," in old-fashioned, split-tail coats, and statesmen and busine men in their correct full dress suits have been wont to grace this quadrennial event. While dancing may be barred, Governor-elect Yates will mark his entrance upon his duties by some sort of a social event. The passing of liquor from the state house will constitute a startling change. The retiring governor is noted for his liking of red liquor and wine of ancient vintage, and enjoys a game of poker for high stakes. Under his administration the state house at Springfield has been the scene of many total abstainer and a strict Methodist the governor-elect indulges in smcking but oc-

FAIR CHANCE OF RECOVERY

SAMUEL McDONALD IS SLOWLY BUT STEADILY IMPROVING.

The Gauze Filling Removed From His Wound This Morning Without Difficulty.

Samuel McDonald, the slayer of Auditor Frank L. Morris, is slowly but steadily improving at the Emergency Hospital from the effects of his self-inflicted wounds, and while his condition cannot be regarded as otherwise than precarious the chances for his recovery are not as remote as they were at first believed to be. Dr. Vaughn, assisted by Dr. Moulden, the resident physician at the hospital, this morning removed about a yard of the gauze filling which had been placed in the wounds Saturday. There was little or no hemorrhage.

No Apprehension Felt.

Despite reports to the contrary, the physicians did not apprehend any efforts on Mr. McDonald's part to interfere with the removal of the gauze, and he was given no anaesthetic. Their confidence was rapaid by the entirely docile manner in which the patient bore himself. The physicians are struck by the tremendous reserve force which Mr. McDonald displays, and Dr. Moulden said this afternoon that he regarded his chances for covery as fair, and that he was now takng nourishment regularly.

Sees but Few Visitors.

Only a very few visitors are permitted to see the patient, and only those whom the latter expresses a desire to have come to his bedside. The only caller yesterday who saw him was Rev. Dr. Stafford of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. To a friend who saw him this afternoon Mr. McDonald expressed his deep appreciation of the attentions he is receiving from the hospital authorities and the officer who is on duty in

His nephew, Judge Miller of Steubenville, Ohio, will arrive here this afternoon, and his brother, William H. McDonald, is expected to reach the city from Denver either tonight or tomorrow morning.

LETTER BOX THIEVES.

They Wore Carriers' Uniforms and

Worked Without Molestation. Postmaster Merritt has unearthed a violation of law which may be the means of some of the city letter boxes during the past year. He discovered that many men were wearing letter carrier uniforms without warrant of law. Upon investigation it developed that letter carriers were in the habit of selling their cast-off uniforms, and Although a shrewd politician, the spirit of the clothing. It would be comparatively since his last report: of revenge is strong with him, and it would easy for a man to rob a letter box while boxes were robbed.

for transporting the mail were dressed in carrier uniforms which they had purchased from carriers. It is believed they obtained them innocently, although it is a serious offense to wear the uniform of a letter carrier without warrant and is punishable by fine and imprisonment Post office inspectors are now on the look-

out for violators of the law.

CAREER OF THOMAS LAW. Certain Facts Brought Out by Careful

Historical Research. residents of this city, and identified with its beginnings, has been written by Mr. Allen C. Clark. It has just appeared from the tive to the eye. There are several plates, including portraits of Mr. Law and Mrs. Law, the latter being a granddaughter of on New Jersey avenue, at one time occuner of 6th and N streets southwest. author modestly entitles his paper a biographical sketch, but it is more than that, and displays not only an acquaintance with most of the events of a picturesque career, but also a wide and careful study of the history of the city. As this is the first adequate sketch of Thomas Law to be printed, it will be, of course, understood that the author has done pioneer work, and has been obliged to the original sources for most of the

The Rallway Problem To the Editor of The Evening Star:

material.

In respect to the bills relating to the Balin times in the armory police court during timore and Ohio and Baltimore and Potomae railroads, which are now pending in through the columns of The Star, with a trict of Columbia. The two bills mentioned are objectionable to some persons on sevdiseases should not marry and bring property to the use of private corporations. dings into the world. As a first step 3. Because they presume to grant a title in to the securing of a marriage license the bill provides for a doctor's certificate to the District to the Baltimore and Ohio railroad, and make concessions which practically amount to such a grant, in favor of the Baitimore and Potomac railroad; thereby discriminating against actual residents and domestic corporations in favor of foreign corporations, and also violating the traditional policy of the government, which reserves the fee simple and eminent domain of all land in the District to the United States from military considerations.

There are numerous judicial decisions in several states bearing upon the first and second objections. I wish to call attention specially to the case of Whitney against the Sheboygan and Fond du-Lac Railroad Company, a Wisconsin case, which was ably argued and reargued by ex-Senators Carpenter and Conger, who were in their day accounted among the best constitutional lawyers in the United States. I also ask consideration of the case of Sweet against Hulbert, a New York case, and that of Crampton against Zabriskie, a case decided by the Supreme Court of the United States. I venture the opinion that these cases and the numerous authorities cited objections urged against the validity of any law involving the principles embodied in the

two bills in question.

The third objection has not, so far as I know, been the subject of adjudication; but it seems to me to be well founded.

To obviate such objections, and at the same time to secure adequate railway facil-ities for this city, as a postal and military necessity, Congress might well cause a bel way traffic to be constructed within its territory, to be used by all railroads which now, or may hereafter, enter the District. The improvements contemplated will, I am told, cost nearly twelve million dollars, one half of which only is to be borne by the railroad corporations and the other half by the public; while the corporations, and not the public, will own all the improvements Would it not be better for the public to pay the other half of the cost, and itself own all the improvements, charging the railroad the problem; and, in my opinion, nothing else will. The proposed legislation will do no more than provoke litigation and strife. To avoid these, the public, the railroad companies and the Post Office and War De-

to another. And every attempt on its part to do so will be resisted in the courts. JOSEPH BRADFIELD. Wilson Gilmor of Goat alley was today fined \$10 in the Police court by Judge Kim-ball for striking Sing Moy. Failure to pay

gested. Congress can build what roads it pleases here, and can use public money collected by taxation for that purpose; but it has no right or power to take the property of one individual or corporation and give it

PEACE COMMISSIONERS MEET.

Prince Ching Exchanges Credentials for the Powers' Joint Note. A cablegram received at the State Department from United States Minister Conger, dated at Pekin on the 24th instant, states that the first formal meeting between the diplomatic representatives and Prince Ching took place on that date. Ching presented the credentials of himself and Li Hung Chang, who was unable to attend owing to illness, to the diplomatic representatives, who handed to him the international note. The officials of the State Department are unwilling to venture a guess as to the length of time that will be consumed by the Chinese government in consideration of the note.

The last article of the note notified the Chinese government that the occupation of Chi-li and Pekin may continue until the Chinese government has complied with the terms of the note. It may be stated, howthat the United States is not bound or affected by that condition. Our occu-pancy from a military point of view has terminated and there is no disposition to renew it. As for the other powers, it is expected that the main obstacle they will encounter in withdrawing under that con-dition will be found in the difficulty in obtaining satisfactory gaurantees upon the Chinese promise to pay indemnities.

OUR PRODUCTS WELCOMED.

German Estimation of American

Methods and Manufactures. Frederich Nachod, United States vice consul at Leipzig, has submitted to the State Department two interesting articles which appeared recently in a prominent newspaper of that city. The first indicates that the Germans are well satisfied with the present export trade to the United States and with the prospects for the future.

In the second, American manufactures

and exports are discussed. The writer praises the American manufacturer very highly, both as to his methods and his relations with the American workman. He compares them with the German manufacturer and workman, and, although he does not anticipate any danger from American competition at the present day, he nevertheless warns his countrymen to be on the qui vive, and recommends that they imitate the Americans, not only in their activity, but also in their methods manufacturing. He gives some good hints in regard to the consular service, discusses the proposed imperial bureau of commerce adds that although it is evident that the import of American articles of manufacture into Germany is regarded with fear by some Germans, a larger part of the people rather welcome these importations, locating the thieves who have broken into account of their good quality at relatively low prices, and also because the keen competition acts as an incentive for Germany to bring her products to the highest possible point of perfection.

Soldiers' Deaths in the Philippines. General MacArthur at Mardla today notiit is believed that the thief or thieves who | fied the War Department that the followwho opened the letter boxes procured some ing deaths in his command have occurred

Dysentery-December 11, Company B, 38th give him supreme satisfaction to beat his in uniform without exciting suspicion. No Volunteer Infantry, Edward A. Senny; De"old friend Shelby." Provided both Tanner one would think strangely of a man in the uniform of a carrier being at work on a letter box. Postmaster Merritt has little doubt the thieves were uniformed when the pany A, 13th Infantry, John Pettry; December 13, Troop G, Lith Cavalry, William L. prish much. Representative Hitt has played a shrewd game in the senatorial fight and has kept remarkably clear from "entanger of the mail were dressed in December 19 Company Edward L. Vanburg; December 19, Company K, 36 Infantry, David J. Parcell; December 20, Company A. 39th Volunteer Infantry, George J. Rehm; Company H. 45th Volunteer Infantry, Ste-

Diarrhoea-December 7, Company F, 47th Volunteer Infantry, Edward W. Fletcher. Variola—December 14, Company E, 48th Volunteer Infantry, Thomas Love; Com-pany G, 48th Volunteer Infantry, Edward

Malarial fever-December 13, Company C. 36th Volunteer Infantry, Alfred H. Bolton; December 15, Company C, 33d Volunteer In-Historical Research.

An interesting account of the life of ThosLaw, who was one of the early wealthy
residents of this city, and identified with its

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> Infantry, Stephen F. Holmes. Killed by accident-Target practice, De-43d Volunteer Infantry, William E. Dennis.
> Died from wounds received in action—
> December 10, Company G, 38th Volunteer Infantry, Martin L. Patherman; December 17, Company H. Signal Corps, U. S. army,

Corporal Charles A. Wilson. All other causes—December 15, Company F, 24th Infantry, Pomp Dunkerson; December 12, Company H, 44th Volunteer Infantry, William E. Bell; December 15, Troop A, 11th Volunteer Cavalry, Sergeant Charles Crane; Company E, 49th Volunteer Infantry, Isaiah Bruxton; December 20, Troop B. 3d Cavalry, Henry A. Hall; December 19, 48th Volunteer Infantry, Sergeant Ma-Wooten R. Bernathy: November 25. Company B, 21st Infantry, Michael F. Diffy.

Flowers for a Sailor's Grave.

The Secretary of the Navy this morning received a large wreath of natural flowers from Chicago, to which was attached a small card, on which was written: "Will you kindly send this wreath to Arlington and put it over the grave of the Maine the Senate, I should like to say something dead?" The wreath is made of white immortelles, in which the name "Harry" is view to the permanent and equitable set-tlement of the railroad question in the Disbons. The only clue to the sender is a small card with the words, "Harry Shillington's Mother." "Harry" is undoubtedly one of the unidentified dead of the Maine for of the railroads by special exemp- whose remains were disinterred from the marry. Mr. Gould holds that consumptives tions from taxation on improvements. 2. Cemetery at Havana and reinterred in the and others who are afflicted with heredible Because they appropriate public money and Arlington cemetery last spring. The mother's wish was complied with today.

Bids on the Sheathed Battle Ships. The disposition of the bids for the three sheathed battle ships for the navy is to be further considered by the naval board on construction during Secretary Long's absence from the city, so as to be able to resubmit to him upon his return, if possible, their findings in regard to that part of the big naval contract now pending.

Whereabouts of the Hartford. The Hartford, which was ordered to watch American interests in Venezuela and co-operate with United States Minister Loomis in their protection, has left Curacao for La Guira. The Navy Department announces that she will visit Trinldad and

Barbadoes after leaving La Guira. Contract Approved.

Gen. Wilson, chief of engineers, today approved the contract between the United States and the Brennan Construction Company of this city for constructing the tile roofing for the power house extension of the new building for the government print-ing office. The amount involved in the contract is \$2,100.

Charged With Larceny of Ring.

Annie Hutchinson of No. 212 Arthur place was arrested this afternoon by Deectives Parham and Weedon on the charge of stealing a diamond pin valued at \$30 from Lillie Burton of No. 728 3d street pected, be in the Police Court tomorrow.

McKendree M. E. Sunday school has arranged to give the Christmas cantata, 'Santa Claus' Home," Friday evening, December 28, at 8 o'clock. Those having parts In the program are: Santa Claus, Mr. C. H. Schooley; Frost Queen, Miss Nellie Frost; Snow Flake, Miss Fannie Bowbeer; Minerva (the picture), Mrs. Cora M. Sagendorf; Hanks, Panks, dwarfs, Raymond Jones, James Conway; Dick Redhead, Mr. C. H. Schooley; Mr. Vim (superintendent), Mr. J. H. Wesler; Mr. Walt (assistant superintendent), Mr. S. S. Culbertson; Mr. Scribbler (secretary), Mr. S. J. Ross; Mrs. Rhea, Miss Jennie Bowbeer; Bessie, Miss Katle Bouck; Clara, Miss Nellie Davis; Ratie Bouck; Clara, Miss Neilie Davis; Elsie, Miss Fannie Bowbeer; Blanche, Miss Agnes Haas; Gertrude, Miss May Stief; Evaline, Miss Hattie Willoughby; Percy. Percy Noel; Harry, Allan Wilson; Mar-guerite, Margaret Bouck; Child, Ella Lyons. Quartet and chorus—Mrs. J. H. Wesler, Miss Jennie Bowbeer, Mr. S. J. Ross, Mr. A. R. Israel, Mrs. Sagendorf, Mrs. Lyons, Mr. A. R. Israel, Mrs. Sagendorf, Mrs. Lyons, Miss Fannie Croggin, Miss Agnes Haas, Miss Katie Bouck, Miss Hattie Willoughby, Miss Nellie Davis, Miss May Stieff, Miss Fannie Bowbeer, Mr. J. H. Wesler, Mr. Leon Schooler, Mr. A. P. Conway, Mr.

SETTLEMENT WITH TURKEY PRESS REPORT ACCEPTED IN OF-

FICIAL CIRCLES. Will Be About the Size of the Charleston Class.

Although no details have been received here of the placing of an order by the Sultan of Turkey with the Cramps of Philadelphia for a warship, there is no doubt in official circles of the accuracy of the press statement to that effect from Constantinople. The contract which is said to have been signed at the Turkish capital yesterday, calls for the construction of a firstclass modern cruiser of great speed and power within a time limit much less than that demanded by continental shipbuilders who made strenuous efforts to secure the

About the Charleston's Size. The new cruiser will be of about 3,200 tons' displacement, or about the same size as the Charleston class of cruisers of the United States navy. She will be 300 feet long, 42 feet beam and will be contracted to steam 22 knots an hour at trial draft. Every portion of the ship will be American. Every portion of the ship will be American. The hull and machinery will be the product entirely of the Cramps' yards and the armor and armament will likewise be essentially American. The cruiser will carry 8 and 6-inch guns in her main battery, with a plentiful supply of rapid-five guns, 1, 3 and 6-pounders and Gatlings to supplement the heavier ordnance. She will also have a complete outfit of torpedo tubes. She will have twin screws and her engines will be of the same general type as those to be of the same general type as those to be put in new crussers contracted for by the United States.

First American Ship for Turkey. Warships have been built in America for the Russian and Japanese navies, but the present is the first instance in which the Turkish government has contracted for a warship to be built in an American yard. This action is highly complimentary to American shipbuilders. The success of American-built cruisers and the records made by American guns and armor in actual warfare were undoubtedly the main reasons for the sultan's acceptance of a ship entirely American in preference to the production of any other nation. The award of the contract to the Cramps is uncoubtedly the result of the recent visit to this country of a high admiral of the Turkish navy, who made a personal inspection of all our principal shipbuilding plants.

This was after be had completed a simi-

lar tour of inspection in France and Eng-land. He is said to have been impressed with the vast superiority of the Americanbuilt cruiser as compared with vessels of the same class built in other countries, and his report to the sultan was undoubtedly on

Payment of \$2,500,000.

The Cramps have undertaken to deliver the warship thoroughly equipped under the guns of Constantinople. From the character and size of the ship ordered it is believed that the contract will involve the payment by the Turkish government to the Cramps of about \$2,500,000, which should afford an ample margin for the settlement of any proper claims against the Turkish government.

THE CASE OF WHITMARSH.

British Subject Said to Have Been Appointed an Official in Luzon.

It is stated that Mr. H. T. Whitmarsh, recently appointed by the Taft commission as governor of Benguet, in the province of Luzon, P. L. is a subject of Great Britain. No representations to that effect have been made to the War Department, and it said there that the records give no information on the subject. In other quarters, however, the point is made that if Whitmarsh is a British subject his gubernatorial appointment, is, an indirect violation of the President's instructions to the Philippine commission in part to appointments in the Philippines. In his letter of instructions providing for the establishment of New York to Have New Head of the merit system in appointments to civil offices in the Philippines, the President savs:

"An indispensable qualification for all offices and positions of trust and authority In the islands must be absolute and uncon absolute and unhampered authority and power to remove and punish any officers leviating from that standard must at all tral authority of the Islands.

Whitmarsh's appointment, like all similar appointments in the insular possessions, is subject to the approval of the Secretary of

It appears that Whitmarsh has lived in the Philippines for many years, and is thoroughly familiar with the natives and their customs. It is said that he is in entire sympathy with the American policy in the hilippines, and has applied for naturaliza-

WIFE SEEKS MAINTENANCE.

Grave Charges Made Against Robert Burton Rodney.

A petition seeking maintenance and support, in which are set forth allegations decidedly out of the ordinary, was filed today in the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia by Margaret E. Rodney, through Attorney George C. Aukam, against her husband, Robert Burton Rodney, said to be a man of large means, to be engaged in private business and to be a retired officer of the United States navy, drawing a salary

The court is informed that the parties were married in Toronto, Canada, the 3d of last month, and that immediately after the marriage the defendant brought the petitioner and her cousin, Miss Isabel M. Cole, who had been employed as companion, to this city. They were conducted by the de-fendant to the Fredonia Hotel and assigned to apartments. Mrs. Rodney charges that her husband refused to occupy the apartments or remain in the hotel, but said he would occupy a room in premises 723

He also refused to take his meals with the petitioner, it is declared. Becoming embarrassed at appearing without her husband, says Mrs. Rodney, she insisted upon him taking an adjoining room at the hotel, which he finally agreed to do, but at the request of his sister, Miss Lavinia Rodney, defendant instructed the petitioner to join him, together with her companion, at 723 13th street. Upon arriving at the latter address, Mrs. Rodney goes on to say, she found it was not the purpose of her husband to reside with her in the same apartments, but that it was his purpose to occupy a room away from the one to be

occupied by herself. Mrs. Rodney, charges that thereafter, until the present time, her husband has per-sistently declined to take his meals with her or to treat her in a gentlemanly man-ner and has practically abandoned her. After she had lived at 723 13th street for After she fad lived at 725 13th street for more than three weeks, says Mrs. Rodney, her husband began to complain about the presence of the companion, notwithstanding the fact, it is pointed out, that he had brought Miss Cole from Canada and provided the apartments aforesaid. The defendant, so the petitioner goes on to say, has persisted in writing indecent and other

has persisted in writing indecent and otherwise insulting letters in relation to the petitioner and her companion.

Mrs. Rodney further informs the court that recently her fuel became exhausted and she immediately notified the defendant that her room was too cold and damp to be without fire. In reply, says Mrs. Rodney, her husband wrote a taunting letter to her, stating it was his purpose to freeze out Miss Cole, and that the petitioner must suffer with her.

In conclusion, Mrs. Rodney declares that

suffer with her.

In conclusion, Mrs. Rodney declares that her husband desires now to get rid of Miss Cole and send her back to Canada, so that she cannot readily testify in this case, and then remove into one of the states where the divorce laws are lax and procure a divorce from the petitioner for the purpose of marrying a cartain other woman "who the defendant openly states will bring more wealth." wealth."
The court is saked to grant Mrs. Rodney

COMPLETE TIE-UP AT SCRANTON. Striking Street Car Mon Control the

situation. SCRANTON, Pa., December 26.-The fourth day of the strike of the motormen and conductors of the Scranton Railway Company shows the tie-up to be just as complete as on the first day.

There is not a car in operation carrying passengers, and only those trips were made to suburban places where it was necessary to deliver mails. These cars were handled by the company's superintendents. The strikers have their picket force thoroughly organized, and every suspect who reaches town over any of the steam roads is taken in hand for explanations.

Thus far the company has imported nearly one hundred men from New York, Brooklyn and Syracuse, but they have not held a half dozen of them, and the strikers the inquest with his counsel, Attorney Colsay these are certain to desert today. Another big arrival is looked for today from New York. The men brought here from that city are said to be from the extra list of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company. They say they were to be boarded, paid \$2 per day and railroad fares, and were to work on the new railroad.

James P. Collins, president of the Local

Street Railway Employes' Union, and chairman of their grievance committee, died this evening from pneumonia, brought on, !t is said, by exposure in the company's service last week

REVIEWED BY LORD CROMER.

British Troops in the Soudan Under Gen. Wingate. KHARTOUM, Egyptian Soudan, December 26 .- Lord Cromer, the British diplomatic agent, reviewed the Egyptian troops of the Soudan under the sirdar, Major General Sir Francis R. Wingate, today.

He assured a deputation from the Dinka tribe, which formerly suffered severely from slave raids, that the British and Egyptian flags guaranteed them against a recurrence of such raids and insured respect for their ancient customs. The chiefs departed, expressing gratitude.

RECEIVERS FOR C. R. BAIRD & CO. had been used or that a fatal injury had been inflicted. The victim, witness said, appeared as if he were going to strike his Liabilities of Iron Manufacturers Piaced at \$1,500,000.

PHILADELPHIA, December 26.-Judge McPherson, in the United States district court, today appointed John N. M. Shimer and William H. Stoake receivers in bank- fooling and that his brother fell against him ruptcy of C. R. Baird & Co., operating a number of iron furnaces. The security required was \$25,000. Counsel for creditors representing about \$100,000 of claims stated that the business would probably be reorganized.

The works operated by the company are the Danville, Va., rolling mill, the Chickies Iron Company, the Elmira steel works and plants in Catasaqua, Pa., and Fullerton, Pa. The liabilities are said to amount to \$1,500,000.

PAT CROWE IN ST. JOSEPH, MO. Suspected Kidnaper of Young Cudahy Recognized by Police.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., December 26.-Two police officers here declared today that they saw Pat Crowe in this city after the kidnapping of Edward Cudahy, jr., but efforts to locate him have proved unsuccessful. HURT IN A RUNAWAY.

Pleasure Party at Shamrock, Pa.,

Meets With Accident. SHAMOKIN, Pa., December 26.-While a party of young women were driving from Shamrock to Elysburg last evening to attend Christmas exercises in a church at Joseph Cousins, colored, testified that he tend Christmas exercises in a church at the latter place the horses ran away and plunged over a steep embankment with the double-seated carriage.

Miss Becky Price, aged twenty years, Miss Becky Price, aged twenty years, was seriously injured by a wheel passing over her head, which was frightfully lacerated. Miss Olive Price, aged twenty-three, was injured internally by a wheel passing arrest. He said that at the time of the was injured internally by a wheel passing arrest Rodgers had a loaded revolver in his was injured internally by a wheel passing over her body, and Miss Emma Kline, aged seventeen, was badly cut and bruised about the body by striking a log.

CHIEF DEVERY TO RETIRE.

Police. NEW YORK, December 26.-The Evening Telegram says: Report has it at police Expected Monday After an Absence of headquarters today that the application of Chief of Police William Devery for retirement is in the hands of Police Commissioncertainty that Devery will retire this week will see another at the head of the uniformed peace force of the city. If retired,

TOM L. JOHNSON'S INJUNCTION. Justice Blanchard Reserves His Deci-

sion in the Case. NEW YORK, December 26.—Decision was reserved by Justice Blanchard, in the supreme court today, in an action brought by Co., bankers and brokers, for an injunction restraining the defendants from dis-Detroit street railroad system, pending the is now regarded as hardly second to any in trial of a suit for the dissolution of an alleged partnership existing between Johnson and R. T. Wilson & Co. Mr. Johnson also asks that a receiver be appointed for the

railroad.

The origin of the suit was the purchase in 1894 by the defendants of the Detroit street railroad system, after which Mr. Johnson became associated with them in its management.

THE JENNIE BOSSCHIETER CASE. The Defendants Ask for Separate

Trials.

NEW YORK, December 26 .- Justice Jonathan Dixon of the supreme court. New Jersey, heard argument today in Jersey City, on the application of Lawver John W. Harding for a separate trial for George Kerr, Death and Campbell for the murder of Jennie Bosschieter at Paterson. Decision

Grover Did Not Vote for McKinley.

ATLANTA, Ga., December 26 .- A controversy having arisen between two Atlanta newspapers over the charge by one of them that former President Cleveland had voted for Mckinley at the last election, the Atlanta Journal today received, in reply to a telegram, an autograph letter from Mr. Cleveland, in which he says he did not vote for President McKinley.

Big Fire at Calgary, N. W. T. CALGARY, N. W T., December 26 .- The most destructive fire in the history of Calgary occurred today. Several of the finest business structures were destroyed, notably the Clarence, Eauclaire and new Norm block. Losses are estimated at \$100,000. Receiver for Marbles Company.

STEUBENVILLE, Ohio, December 26.-A receiver has been appointed for the American Marbles Company, which has been in operation for two months. It is the only factory of the kind in the United States, the product being glass marbles. The petition for the receiver alleged that the firm is insolvent. No statement of assets and liabil

British Cruiser at San Diego. SAN DIEGO, Cal., December 26.-The cruiser Phaeton of the British Pacific squadron has put in here on her way from Esquimault to Panama, whither she was ordered on account of the Colombian revolution and the disturbances which may follow it. It was not the intention to stop at this port, but one of the sailors is suffering from a fractured leg, and will be left here.

CEMENTVILLE, Ind., December 26 .-No outbreak occurred here today between the white population and the negroes, as had been feared. Sam Kendall, whose sacasionally. There could scarcely be a greater contrast between two men than between the ingoing and the outgoing governor.

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No Trouble at Cementville Today.

RODGERS RESPONSIBLE FINANCE AND TRADE

Defendant Committed to Jail to Await

the Action of Grand

Jury.

Coroner Nevitt held an inquest this morn-

ing at the sixth precinct station in the case

of Frank Hooks, colored, who was stabbed

to death in South Washington early Mon-

day evening, it is afleged, by Ernest Rod-

gers, also colored, as published in yester-

day's Star. The prisoner was present at

yar. The jury heard several witnesses and

returned a verdict holding Rodgers respon-

sible for the death of Hooks. He was

thereupon committed to jail to await the

A colored woman named Laura Coates

was one of the most important witnesses

examined. She told of being in the house

of a man named Smiler in Broad alley Monday when Hooks and "Kid" Lomax

were playing. The latter was hurt, and he threatened to kill Hooks. Later she saw

the men on the street, and Ernest Rodgers started a row with Hooks. The latter went

home, and when he returned, in a few min-utes, Rodgers walked up to him and

Witnessed the Quarrel.

Eugene Milier, 355 I street ..outhwest, tes-

walked away. Witness then went on about

his business, having no idea that a weapon

sailant or defend himself from an assault.

Clarence Hooks, colored, brother of the deceased, testified that he was present at

the time of the stabbing. His brother told him that he and "Kid" Lomax had been

and hurt him. Lomax told witness he was

going home and get a revolver and shoot his (witness') brother.

"He did get the revolver," said witness,
"for he drew it on me that night."
Witness said he heard his brother explain

Ernest Rodgers that he (Hooks) had not

Witness pulled his brother away and Rod-

ince and took his brother to the drug store.

Afterward he was taken to the hospital.

Was With Rodgers.

that he would also smash Rodgers. Wit-

always been friendly. After the affair oc-

curred Hooks, he said, gave him a pen-

man. He did not see Hooks have his hand

knife and he afterward gave it to

action of the grand jury.

stabbed him.

JURY OF INQUEST SAYS HE KILLED An Irregular Stock Market Ends in FRANK HOOKS. Strength.

ACTIVITY IN NORTHERN PACIFIC

Steel Issues and Traction Shares in Good Demand.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

This action was generally construed to be tified that he was near the corner of 3d favorable, and commission houses came in with buying orders for round amounts and G streets Monday when several colored The volume of business after the digestive period was well distributed, and there was men came out of a saloon quarreling. Witness thought there was going to be trouble every indication that the leading banking interests had the situation well in hand. and he watched them for a few minutes. Higher prices were predicted, and the op-timism during the afternoon was equal in The men walked along G street, going west, and witness saw one man strike another every way to that of last week. and knock him down. After striking the blow the man who committed the assault

Pacific is on the verge of an important dis-closure, which will justify even nigher prices than any yet reached. Good judges

demand, the prospects of the disbursement of semi-annual interest next week aggre-

Brooklyn Rapid Transit was well bought at a sharp advance under persistent rumors that a lease with guaranteed dividends had been drawn in favor of Metropolitan.

Hooks say he had smashed Lomax and ite. The newer creations of last year are being lead by Federal Steel, and it is probable ness said he did not witness the fatal that the most merit is thereby made most encounter. So far as he knew the men had conspicuous. The short interest in People's Gas was credited with advancing the priof those shares. Earnings from all sources were favorable

in his hip pocket. Witness said he be-came excited and threw his own penknife was on the street when the quarrel started. Frank Hooks went home and when he returned he met Ernest Rodgers near a va-cant lot. He saw Rodgers raise his hand, and Hooks fell. Witness did not see Hooks

arrest Rodgers had a loaded revolver in his hand and was holding it in his pocket. The Atchison. . knife was taken from his vest pocket after he reached the station. know that Rodgers had admitted having inflicted the wound. Policeman Kemp also gave testimony and the case was submit-

AMBASSADOR CAMBON'S RETURN.

The French ambassador, M. Cambon, will

return to Washington next Monday after er John B. Sexton. Whether this is true or an absence of about six months in Europe. not, there is a belief amounting almost to A letter received from him at the French embassy today states that he sailed on the Gascogne, now on the way over. The ambassador spent much time at Paris during Chief Devery would have \$3,000 a year for the critical juncture of the Chinese question, conferring with the authorities on the course to be adopted, while M. Thiebaut, acted as charge d'affaires in Washington throughout the active negotiations carried on here. There have been reports from time to time that M. Cambon would be transferred to another post, but he now returns to Washington without any present indication of a transfer in the near future. His distinguished service as governor gen-Tom L. Johnson against E. T. Wilson & eral of Algeria, and as the intermediary in the Spanish-American peace negotiations place him in line for one of the first positions of highest rank in the French foreign posing of the stocks and securities of the service, although the post at Washington

> Two Boys Drowned While Skating. SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., December 26.-John Kelly, aged thirteen, and Willie Hull, aged ten, were drowned last night while skating on the Union Mills pond at Norwalk. Kelly broke through the ice, and Hull, in trying to save him, also perished. Other boys tried to rescue the drowning lads, but because of thin ice could not reach them. The bodies were recovered.

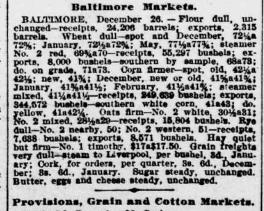
Changes in District Service

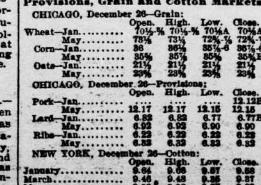
George T. Tittle has been appointed by the District Commissioners engineer at the Washington Asylum Hospital, at a monthly salary of \$50, vice W. R. Garnett, resigned, and Miss Bessie Lawrason has been appointed attendant at the almshouse, at \$150 per annum, vice Willett McClanahan, resigned. A. T. Batts, messenger in the engineer department, at \$480 per annum, has been transferred to the per diem roll, at \$1.75 per day, and Edward Morris, mes-senger clerk in the engineer department, \$2.50 per day, has been appointed to the position vacated by Morris.

Naval Orders.

Captain C. S. Sperry has been assigned to duty as a member of the naval examining board, Washington navy yard. Lieutenant A. B. Hoff, from the Massachusetts to home and granted sick leave for one month.

Ensign T. T. Cooper, retired, to the Saratoga.
Ensign E. E. Hayden, retired, to duty in office of naval intelligence.





NEW YORK, December 26.-Opening prices this morning generally reflected sharp advances over last week's closing level as the result of the accumulation of buying orders over the holidays. The higher prices naturally attracted profittaking around the room and some sharp recessions had been recorded toward the end of the opening hour. The establishment of a 6 per cent rate for call money early in the day was the occasion of some concern among traders and led to an effort to get prices off. Duliness set in at the decline, however.

Evidence is not wanting that Northern

of the market closely identified with inside interests are quoted as being certain of a change in the status of the stock, which will warrant the improvement. The tape itself indicates that record prices do not deter a further accumulation of both common and preferred stock. The railroad list as a whole was in good

gating \$160,000,000, helping the demand for the investment shares. The feature of the market was the demand for the Traction and Steel shares.

injured Lomax intentionally. Rodgers, he said, told him to go away and let him alone, for he (Rodgers) would stab him to death. Manhattan for the same reason was strong at top prices. There is little room for doubt in the matter of these leases, and gers tiptoed over to him and stabbed him. When witness pulled his brother's coat aside he saw the blood. He called assistsome rather extravagant prices are pre-dicted in consequence. The Steel shares were taken by strong interests and an evident effort is being made to restore them to popular favor.

Tennessee Coal and Iron is likely to be Clinton Brooks, colored, testified that he prominent in any activity in this group, and Colorado Fuel, by reason of an intrinwas with Rodgers during the evening and they had a drink together. He heard sically strong position, seems a likely favor-

> and London is expected to come in tomorrow, after celebrating Boxing day today.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

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BrooklynRautd Transit. Chic, & Northwestern... 167 C., M. and St. Paul.... 189 Cnicago, d. I. & Paeific. 1195 1294 Cnicago, d. I. & Paeific. 1195 1201 Cnicago, d. I. & Paeific. 1195 1201 Cnic., St. P., M. & O. Chic. & G. Western 56% 193% 40% 94 128% Consolidated Gas...... 191 Con. Tobacco...

Federal Steel pfd.... Illinois Centrat..... Louisville & Nashville ... 87% 2Metropolitan Traction. 1721% Mannattan Elevated ... 113% New Jersey Central..... New York Central ..

Northern Pacific ... Northern Pacific. pfd People s Gas Phila & Reading, Ist Southern Rallway, pfd. Texas Pacific Union Pacific.. mion Pacific. pfd......

Amalgamated Copper ... Erie, 1st, pfd Wheeling & L. E. 2ds San Francisco, 2nd......

S. Leather pfd.....

Washington Stock Exchange. Sales-regular call—12 o'clock m.—Capital Traction, 20 at 103%, 20 at 103%, 20 at 103%, City and Suburban Railroad, 25 at 20, 25 at 20. Washington Gas, 15 at 57%, 25 at 57%, 100 at 57%, 100

Sales—regular call—12 o'clock m.—Capital Traction, 20 at 103%, 20 at 103%, 20 at 103%, 100 at 57%, 100 at 183%, 10 at 183%, 10 at 183%, 10 at 183%, 10 at 183%, 4 merican Graphophone Company, pfd., 100 at 105%, After call—United States coupon 2s, \$500 at 105%, Capital Traction, 100 at 103%, 100 at 105%, 200 did. Water Stock currency 7s, 102% bid. Funding currency 3.65s, 123 bid.

Miscellaneous Bonds.—Capital Traction Railroad 4s, 107 bid, 107¼ asked. Washington Traction and Electric coll. 4½s, 57 bid. Metropolitan Railroad 5s, 119 bid. 122½ asked. Washington Traction and cert. indebt., A, 107 bid. Metropolitan Railroad cert. indebt., B, 107 bid. Columbia Railroad 6s, 120 bid. Columbia Railroad 2d mort. 5s, 109 bid. Washington Gas Company 6s, ser. B, 106 bid. United States Electric Light cert. indebt. 6s, 101 bid. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone con. 5s, 103 bid. American Security and Trust 4s, 100 bid. Masonic Half Association 5s, 103 bid. American Graphophone deb. 5s, 98 bid.

National Bank Stocks.—Bank of Washington, 400 bid. 410 asked. Metropolitan, 650 bid. Central, 200 bid. Farmers and Mechanics', 220 bid. Second, 165 bid. Citisens', 150 bid. Olumbia, 165 bid. Capital, 140 bid. Washington Market Company and Trust, 163 bid. 165 asked. American Security and Trust and Stocks.—Bank of Washington Loan and Trust, 163 bid. 165 asked. American Security and Trust and Stocks.—Bank of Washington Loan and Trust and Stocks.—Bank of Washington Loan and Trust and Stocks.—Bank of Washington Loan and Trust and Stocks.—Gapita

Government Bonds.